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Draft Initial Comprehensive Plan Updates

November 2020

Reminder: What is “Cville Plans Together”?

Together, we are developing…

An **Affordable Housing Plan**, as part of the Comprehensive Plan, to create a unified strategy for housing Charlottesville’s residents.

An update to the **Citywide Comprehensive Plan**, to guide the ways that the city will change and grow in the future.

An updated **Zoning Ordinance**, to ensure that development takes place in a clear and effective manner, and to work toward correcting injustice related to land use.

It is a name for a process

- **Cville Plans Together** is an opportunity for the community to actively participate in updating the **future vision for the city**, with a **focus on equity and affordability**.

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Drafts Available for Review

Draft initial Comprehensive Plan revisions

- **Guiding Principles** - Overarching priorities for the entire Comprehensive Plan.
- **Vision Statements** - Priorities for each topic-specific chapter.

Draft Affordable Housing Plan

- Summary and full draft plan available on the website.

Please Review and Provide Comments by December 2

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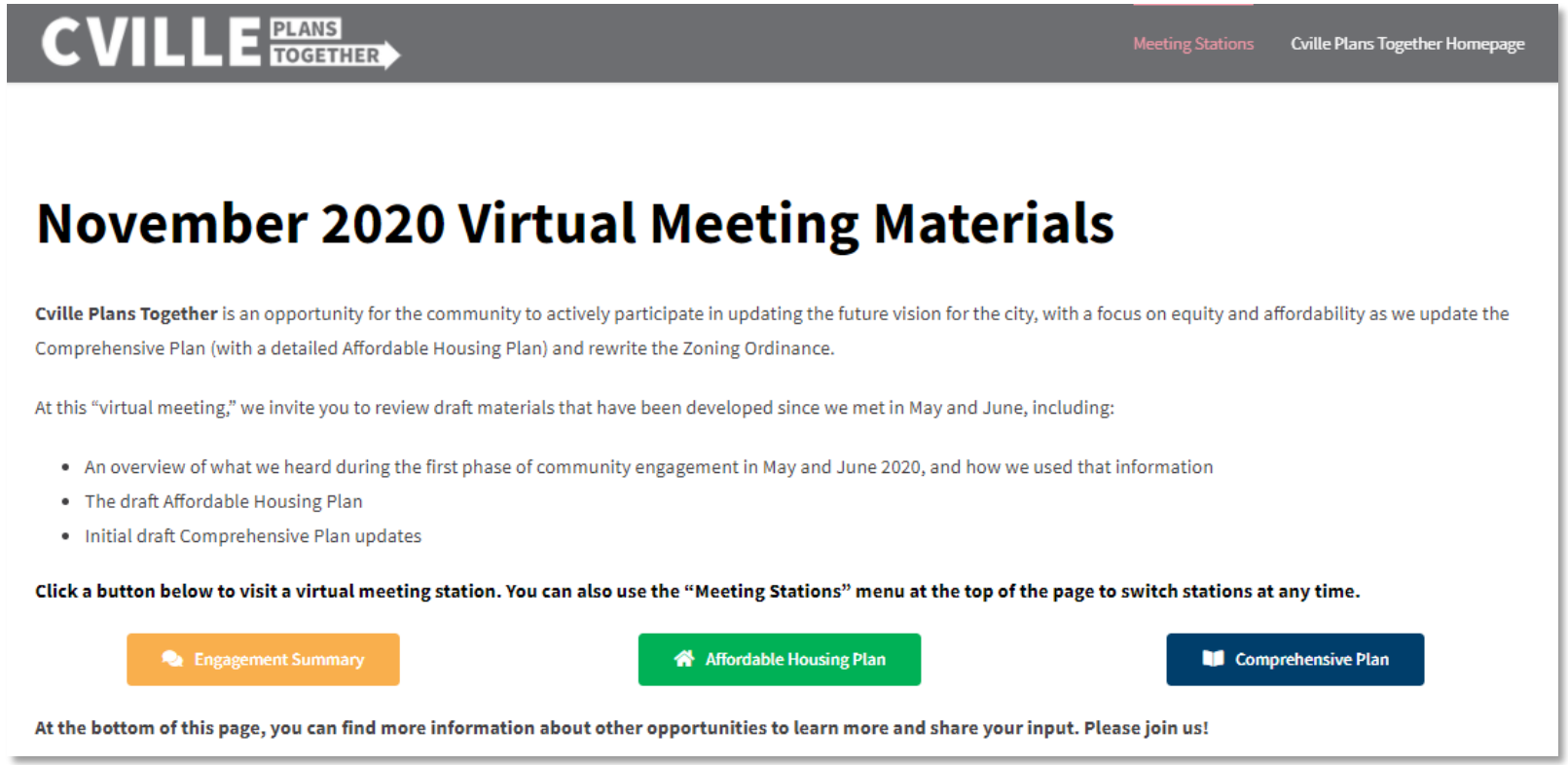
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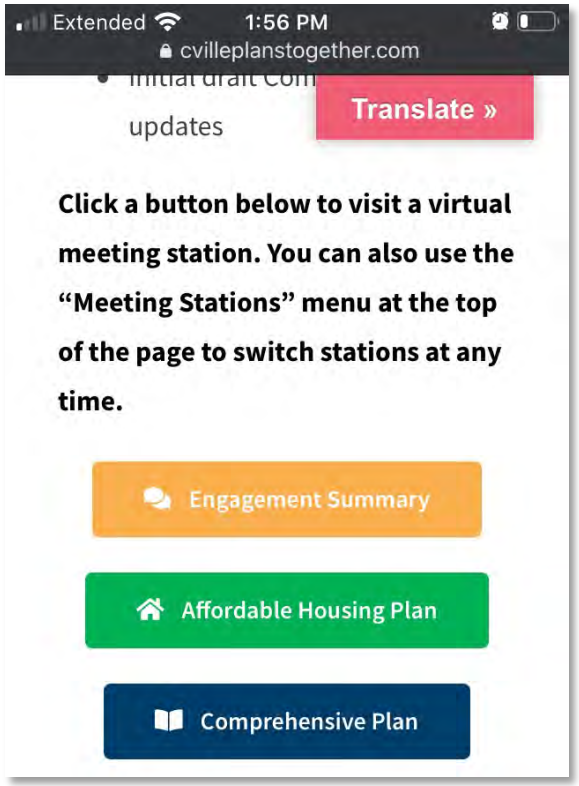
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What We Heard in May and June 2020

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May-June 2020 Community Input Overview

Survey (web+paper)

1,172 responses

Webinars

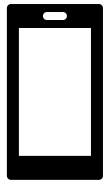
3 webinars, 30-50 people each

Small-group discussions

~220 participants & 25 discussions

Email comments

~30 messages received directly and via the website



Phone line

No messages received, but several calls

May-June Community Input Overview

Outreach Methods

- **Project website**
- **Flyers**
- **Social media** (Instagram, Facebook, Twitter)
- **Press releases and other media engagement**
- **Emails** & **phone calls**
- **A toll-free phone number**
- **Paper surveys**

Who Did We Hear From: Survey

Please review the full summary of input for more details.

- **66% (771) of surveys came from city residents**
  - 19% from Albemarle
  - More than 60% of the Charlottesville respondents have lived here for 10+ years.
- **Gender**: 56% identified as female
- **Age**: Biggest percentage (38%) between 25-44
- **Top 5 neighborhoods, # responses**: Belmont, North Downtown, Fry's Spring, Friendship Court, Greenbrier
- **Race/ethnicity**: 63% identified as white or Caucasian, 11% as Black or African American, 2% Hispanic or Latinx, 2% Asian or Asian American, 2% two or more selected*
- **Annual household income**: 24% <$50,000, 25% $50-100,000, 32% >$100,000*
- **Residence**: 56% homeowners, 29% renters*
- **UVA students** (now or within two years): 7%

These demographics are not completely reflective of the city's population. We are continuing to target our engagement efforts to gather responses across the community as the planning process continues.

** The remainder selected "other" or did not respond.*

Key Themes

Please review the full summary of input for more details.

- **Housing affordability** throughout the city, at all levels, for renters and homeowners
- **Racial equity**, including related to gentrification, displacement, and historic land use decisions that have a legacy of impacts today
- **Strengthening existing partnerships and coordination** with the County, UVA, area non-profits, etc.
- **Less disconnect between topics covered in the Comprehensive Plan** – consideration for combined solutions and connections between topics
- Wages and job training/**access to opportunity**
- **Safe, strong neighborhoods**, for all, throughout the city
- **Land use and urban design** improvements, including increased density, different types of housing, and streamlining development processes
- **Food justice** and access
- **Community safety** practices, budgeting, and equity
- **Improvements for walking, biking, and transit** (including regional transit)
- **Community engagement**, including transparency and building trust
- **Small business support**
- Integration of **climate goals and energy efficiency**
- **Parks** & park connections
- **Healthcare accessibility**, including mental health supports

How have we used and how will we use input?

Identified key themes for input (as summarized on previous slide) and utilized those in the draft initial Comprehensive Plan revisions and the draft Affordable Housing Plan.

We will continue to reference input received to date, along with future input, as we assess **potential new or revised goals and strategies**.

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Comprehensive Plan

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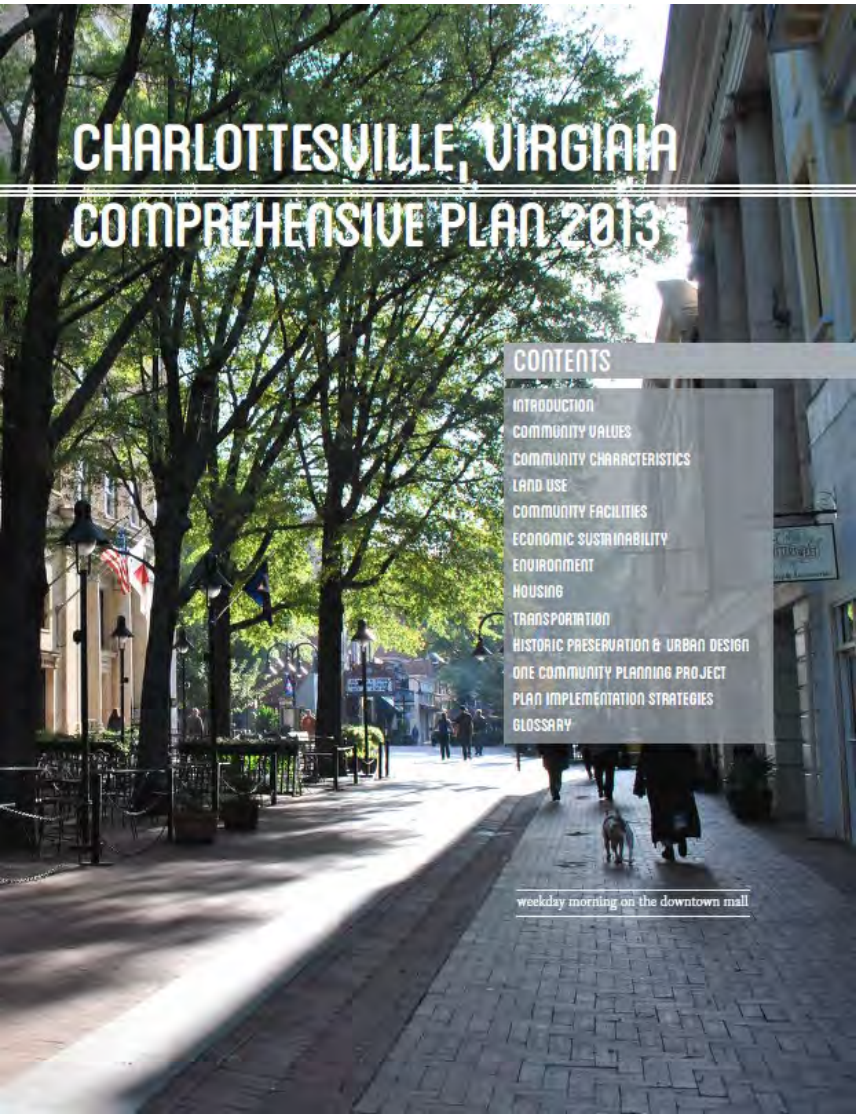
Comprehensive Plan Overview



What is a Comprehensive Plan?

- Describes & illustrates **community goals** and **guides decision-making** for various matters.
- Once adopted, it is the **statement of the city's intentions and policies** regarding land use and development.
- Land use and design policies **must then be reflected in the zoning ordinance to be effective.**

Comprehensive Plan Overview

- **Current plan is from 2013**.
- **Planning Commission began review/revisions, including community process, in 2017-2018.**
- **Our charge: continue and finalize updates**, with a focus on Housing Affordability and Equity.
- **We are working from draft chapters** reviewed by the Planning Commission, where they exist.
  - All draft chapters are available on the project website.
- **Learn more about the Comprehensive Plan** in general at cvilleplanstogether.com/citywide-comprehensive-plan.

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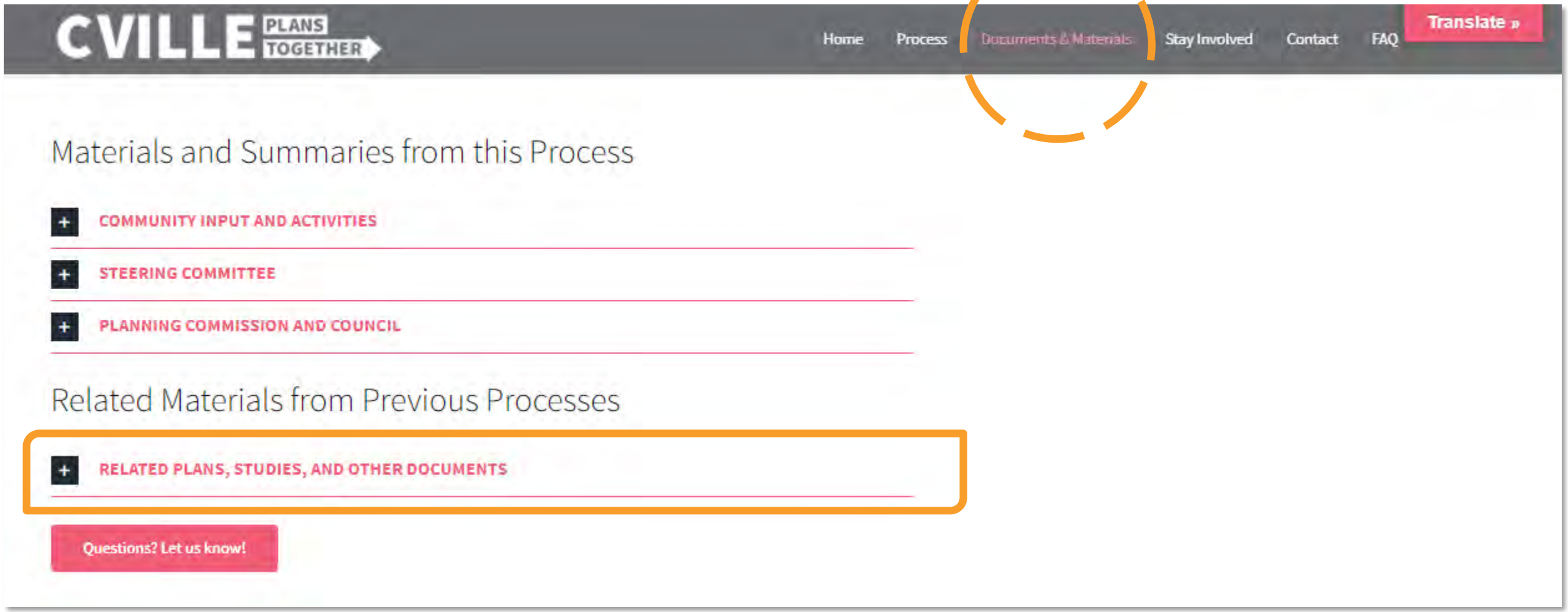

Overview of the Updates

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Draft Updates

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The draft updates describe the outcome the City and larger community are working toward

- **The draft Guiding Principles and Vision Statements** are the **first step** in the larger process of updating the Comprehensive Plan.
- **We first need to define "big picture" priorities** and we can then create goals, and actions to achieve the desired outcomes.

What is a “Guiding Principle”?

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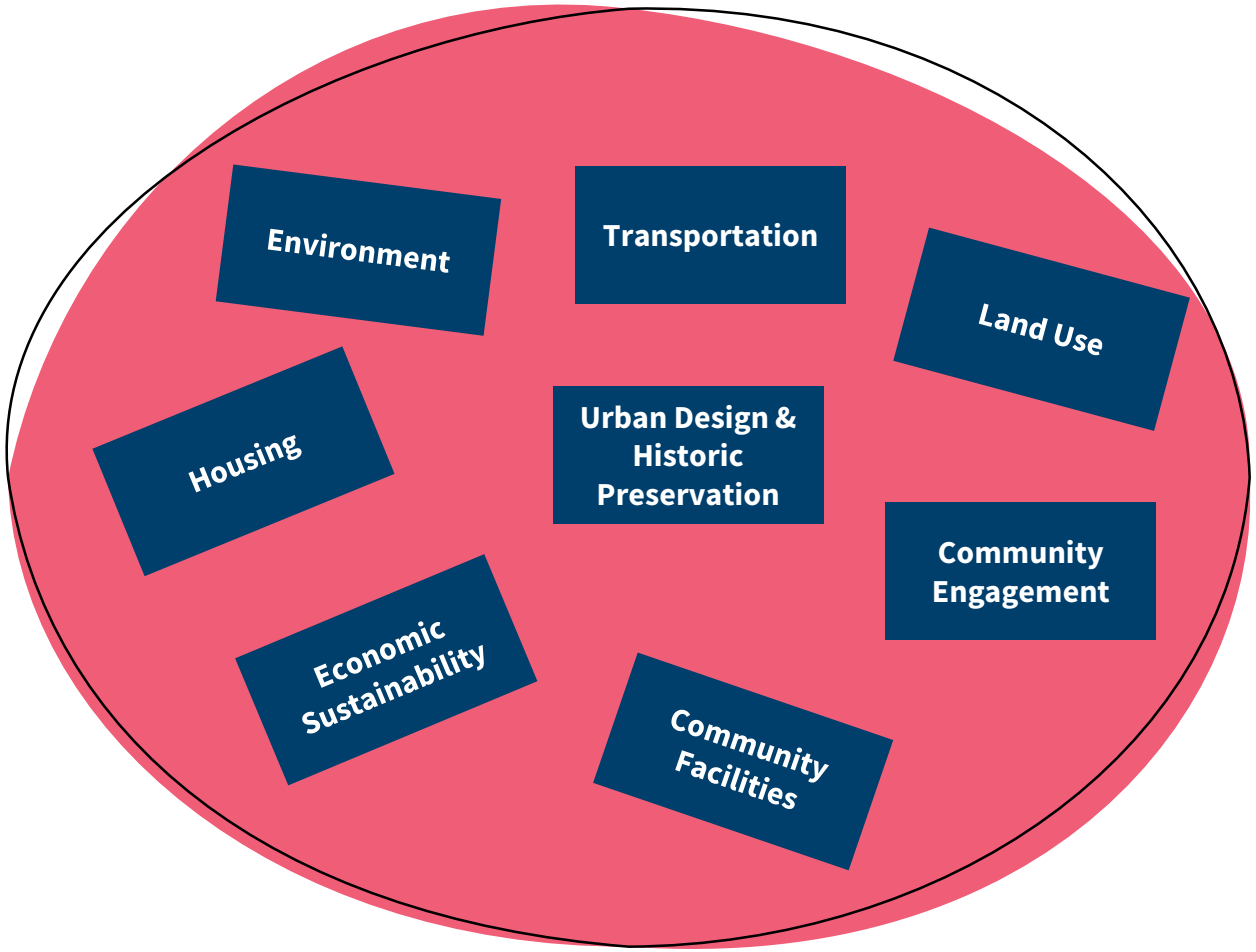
- Overarching community priorities related to the entire Comprehensive Plan
- They guide the way we work toward achieving the Vision Statements

What is a “Vision Statement”?



- The **Vision Statements** state a **future vision or outcome** for each topic-specific chapter of the Comprehensive Plan.
- These form the **basis for both short- and long-term goals and actions** to be refined in these chapters as a next step in the Cville Plans Together process.

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What is a “Vision Statement”?

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- They are the outcomes the community is working toward.

Vision Statements

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Topic-Specific Chapter Structure

Vision statement =
Overall outcome for topic

Goal =
specific outcome

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specific outcome

Strategy

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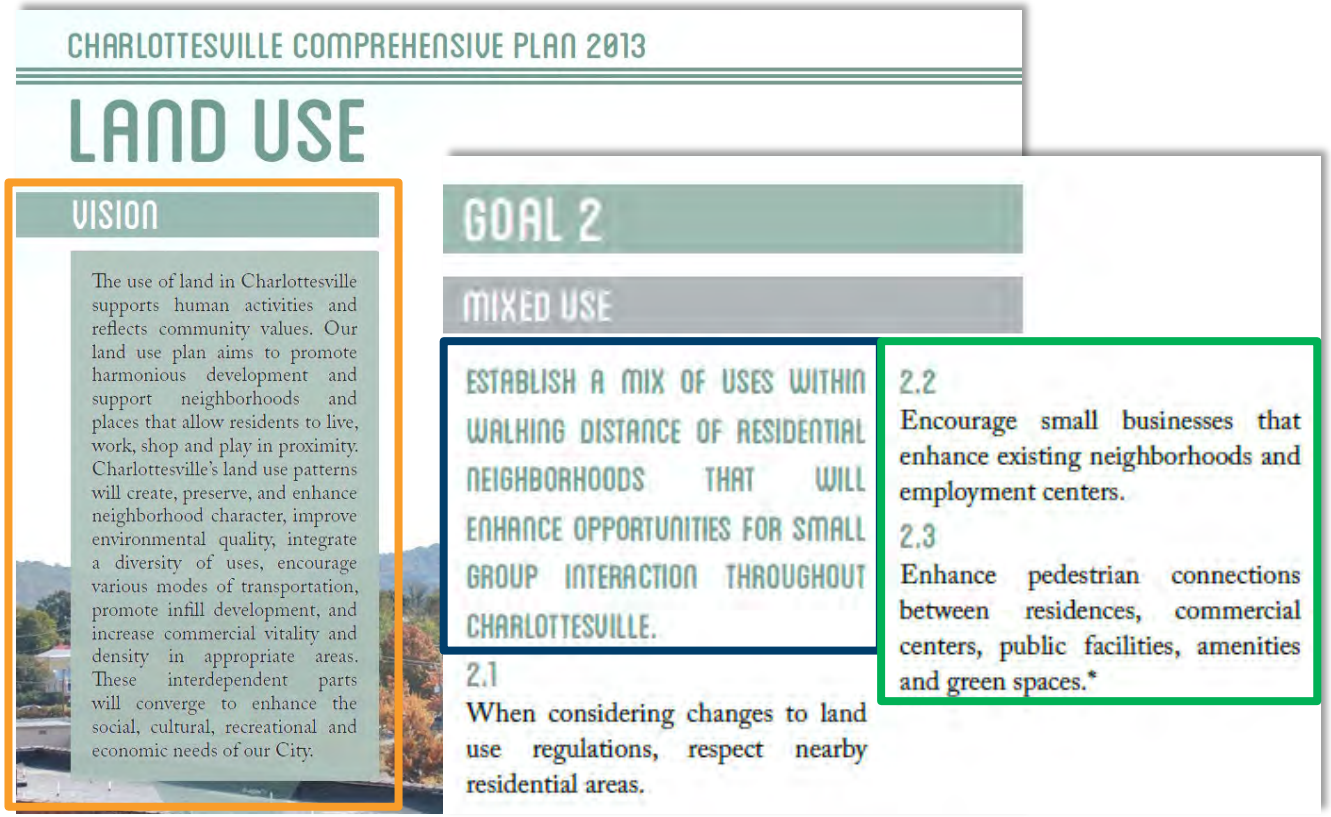

CHARLOTTESVILLE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2013
LAND USE
VISION
The use of land in Charlottesville supports human activities and reflects community values. Our land use plan aims to promote harmonious development and support neighborhoods and places that allow residents to live, work, shop and play in proximity. Charlottesville's land use patterns will create, preserve, and enhance neighborhood character, improve environmental quality, integrate a diversity of uses, encourage various modes of transportation, promote infill development, and increase commercial vitality and density in appropriate areas. These interdependent parts will converge to enhance the social, cultural, recreational and economic needs of our City.
GOAL 2
MIXED USE
ESTABLISH A MIX OF USES WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS THAT WILL ENHANCE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL GROUP INTERACTION THROUGHOUT CHARLOTTESVILLE.
2.1
When considering changes to land use regulations, respect nearby residential areas.
2.2
Encourage small businesses that enhance existing neighborhoods and employment centers.
2.3
Enhance pedestrian connections between residences, commercial centers, public facilities, amenities and green spaces.*

Draft Updated Chapter Names/Topics

Community Engagement & Collaboration

Land Use, Urban Form, and Historic Preservation

Housing

Environment, Health, & Energy

Transportation

Economic Prosperity & Opportunity

Community Facilities & Services

Note

- Summaries of the Vision Statements are shown on the following slides.
- Full text can be found on slides at the end of the presentation, or at cvilleplanstogether.com/virtual-meeting/

Topic: Community Engagement & Collaboration

Recognizing the need for improvements, the City will:

- Directly seek input, **especially those who are not often heard from** and those who may be **most impacted**.
- Facilitate and effectively communicate about **transparent, accessible, and respectful** input opportunities.
- **Widely and proactively** share information.
- Ensure that residents **understand the process** and how the outcome could potentially impact their lives.
- Seek out **information-sharing partnerships** with local organizations.

City-appointed boards, commissions, and committees will be both **representative of and sensitive to Charlottesville's diversity** and range of perspectives.

Topic: Land Use, Urban Form, & Historic Preservation

- Through plans, policies, and regulations, will strive to eliminate racial and economic **inequities**, improve **housing**, enhance **livability**, improve **environmental** quality, support **efficient transportation**, promote **infill**, and increase **commercial vitality**.
- The city will be **welcoming, human-scaled, sustainable, well-utilized, equitable, and beautiful**.
- **Urban design and historic preservation efforts** will both contribute to the character and quality of neighborhoods and the community.
- **Celebrate the diversity** of people and uniqueness of places.
- Communities will look for ways to broaden the range of recognized **histories and narratives**.

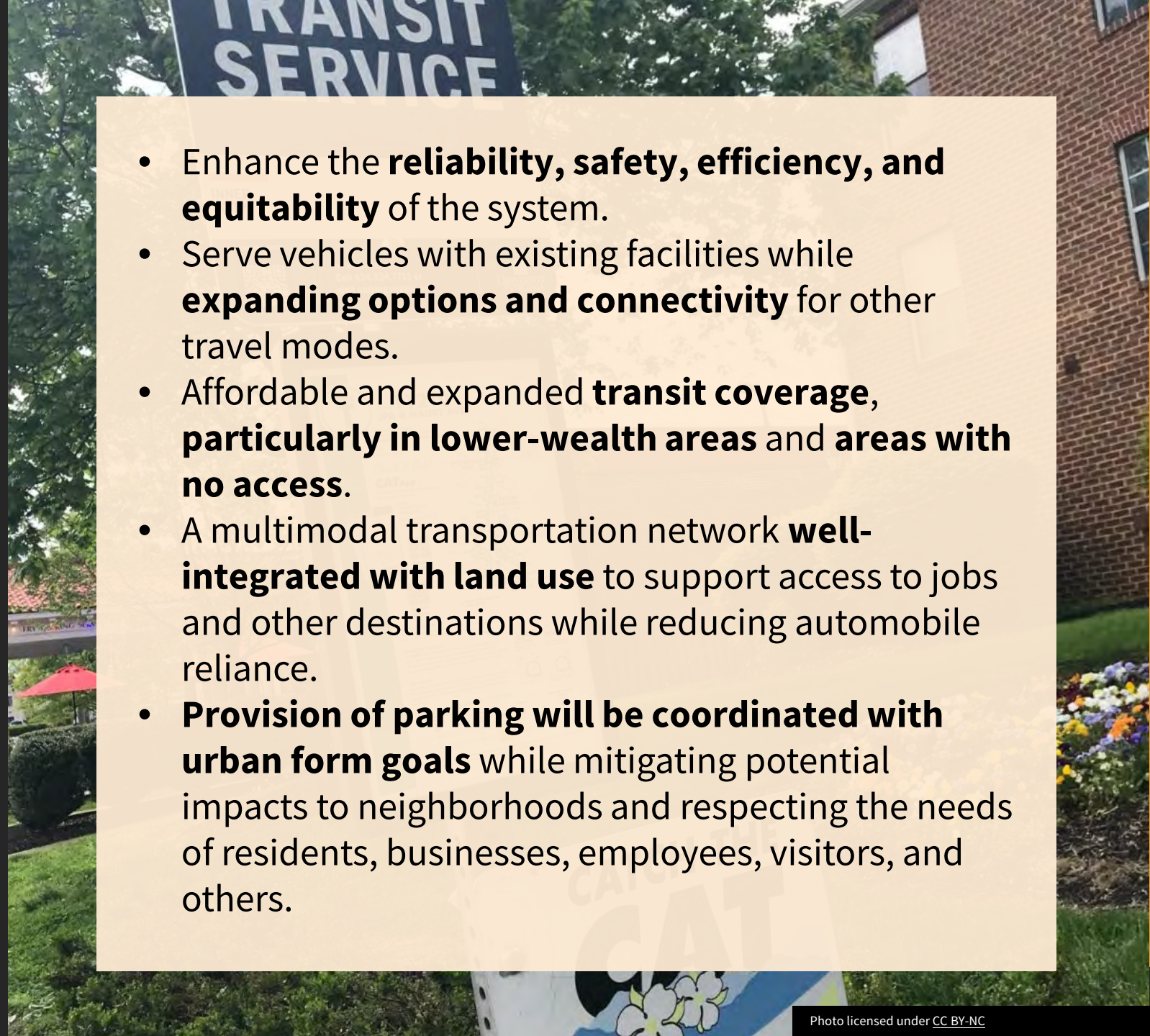
Topic: Housing

- Recognize the **importance of housing for all** residents by implementing strategies to achieve **a housing market that is affordable, healthy, high quality, and, above all, equitable**.
- Identify and address injustice in the **provision of housing options for all**.
- Celebrate and enhance a **variety of available housing types and sizes, for both rental and ownership opportunities**.
- Make **clear steps toward addressing affordability, homelessness, and displacement** of people from their neighborhoods.
- Support **culturally and demographically diverse and thriving neighborhoods**.

Topic: Environment, Health, & Energy

- Charlottesville will have **healthy air, water, and land**, as well as ample and accessible open spaces, and a preserved and enhanced tree canopy.
- Focus on **food security and access to healthy foods** for all residents.
- Make steady progress toward meeting the goal of **citywide carbon neutrality by 2050**.
- Utilize **green infrastructure** and encourage **healthy and low-carbon lifestyles** by supporting walking, bicycling, and transit use, and access to the outdoors.
- **Mitigate and prepare for the potential impacts of climate change** by increasing reliable access to and use of clean energy sources, updating building standards, and improving environmental quality.

Topic:
Transportation



- Enhance the **reliability, safety, efficiency, and equitability** of the system.
- Serve vehicles with existing facilities while **expanding options and connectivity** for other travel modes.
- Affordable and expanded **transit coverage**, **particularly in lower-wealth areas** and **areas with no access**.
- A multimodal transportation network **well-integrated with land use** to support access to jobs and other destinations while reducing automobile reliance.
- **Provision of parking will be coordinated with urban form goals** while mitigating potential impacts to neighborhoods and respecting the needs of residents, businesses, employees, visitors, and others.

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Topic:
Economic Prosperity & Opportunity

- Charlottesville will have a **vibrant and resilient economy**, with a **diversified and broadened** economic base.
- The City will be **supportive of businesses**, including **small and minority-owned businesses** and will participate in regional economic initiatives.
- The City will **connect the community with meaningful opportunities for wealth creation**. The building of career ladders of opportunity and economic mobility will be bolstered by ensuring that local economic growth is **paired with the development of employment, training, and other opportunities for residents**.

Topic: Community Facilities & Services

- Access to outstanding **schools**, **recreational** facilities and trails, civic facilities and public **buildings**, public **services**, and the **infrastructure** needed to support a full range of educational and economic opportunities.
- **Support the health and welfare of residents and the quality of the environment** in both the city and region.
- Set a **national standard for emergency response and community-oriented public safety**, with clear strategies aimed at **building trust and relationships** with all neighborhoods.

Poll 2

Guiding Principles

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Reminder: What is a “Guiding Principle”?

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- Overarching community priorities related to the Comprehensive Plan
- Not specific to only one topic
- There are five draft Guiding Principles

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Draft Guiding Principles

Equity & Opportunity	All people should be able to thrive in Charlottesville.
Local & Regional Collaboration	From the neighborhood to the region, open conversations and partnerships will make the city stronger.
Environmental Stewardship & Sustainability	The Charlottesville community should demonstrate environmental and climate leadership.
Connections & Access	The City should consider land use and transportation in complementary ways, creating better and safer mobility options for all.
Community Culture & Unity	Charlottesville's rich and diverse culture should be celebrated, and the entire community should create an environment in which all of the city's residents feel welcomed, valued, and respected.

Equity & Opportunity

Community Culture & Unity

Local & Regional Collaboration

Chapter Topics / Vision Statements

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Community Facilities & Services

Environmental Stewardship & Sustainability

Connections & Access

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Next Steps

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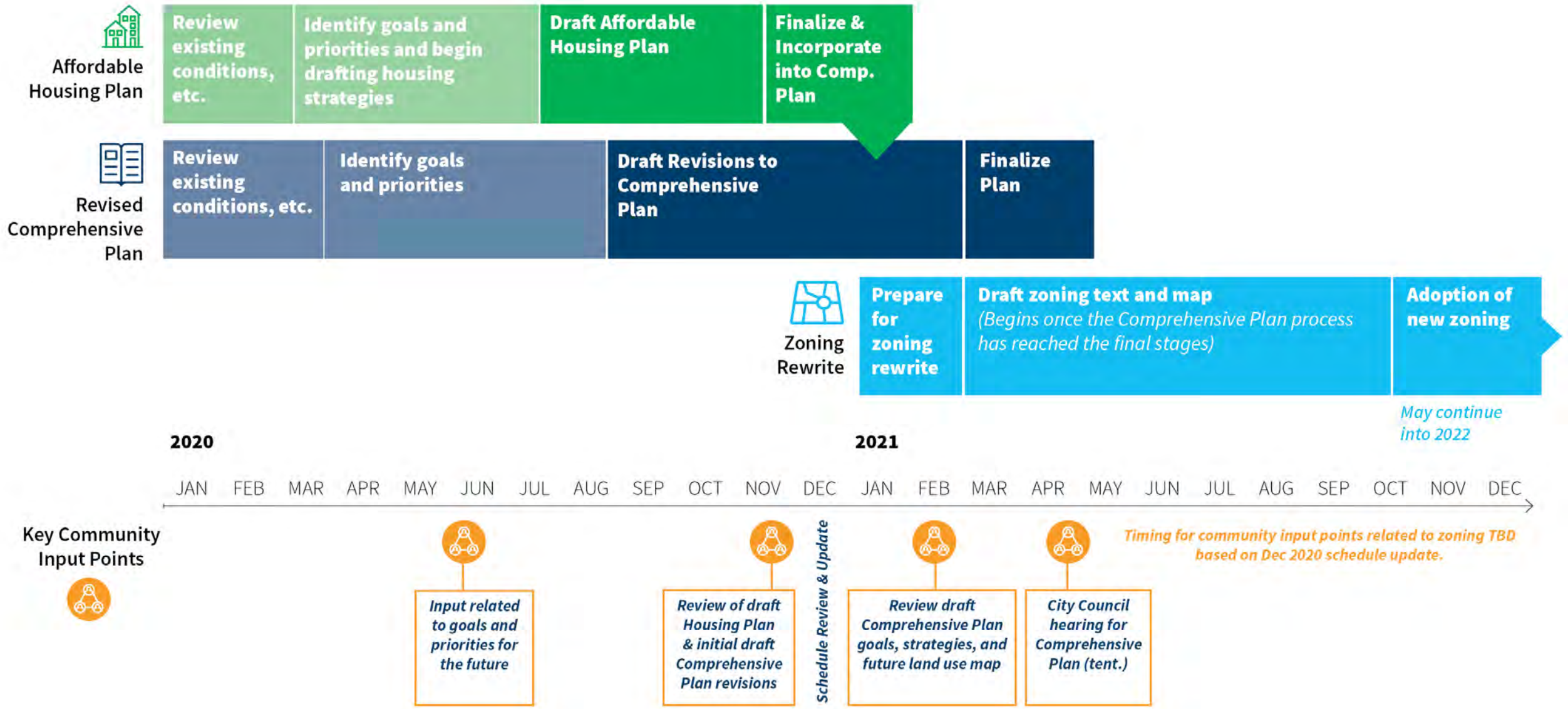
Project Schedule

SUBJECT TO CHANGE - *UPDATED ON OCTOBER 12, 2020*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Review existing conditions, etc.
Identify goals and priorities and begin drafting housing strategies
Draft Affordable Housing Plan
Finalize & Incorporate into Comp. Plan
Revised Comprehensive Plan
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Identify goals and priorities
Draft Revisions to Comprehensive Plan
Finalize Plan
Zoning Rewrite
Prepare for zoning rewrite
Draft zoning text and map
(Begins once the Comprehensive Plan process has reached the final stages)
Adoption of new zoning
May continue into 2022
2020
2021
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Key Community Input Points
Input related to goals and priorities for the future
Review of draft Housing Plan & initial draft Comprehensive Plan revisions
Schedule Review & Update
Review draft Comprehensive Plan goals, strategies, and future land use map
City Council hearing for Comprehensive Plan (tent.)
Timing for community input points related to zoning TBD based on Dec 2020 schedule update.

Tell Us What You Think

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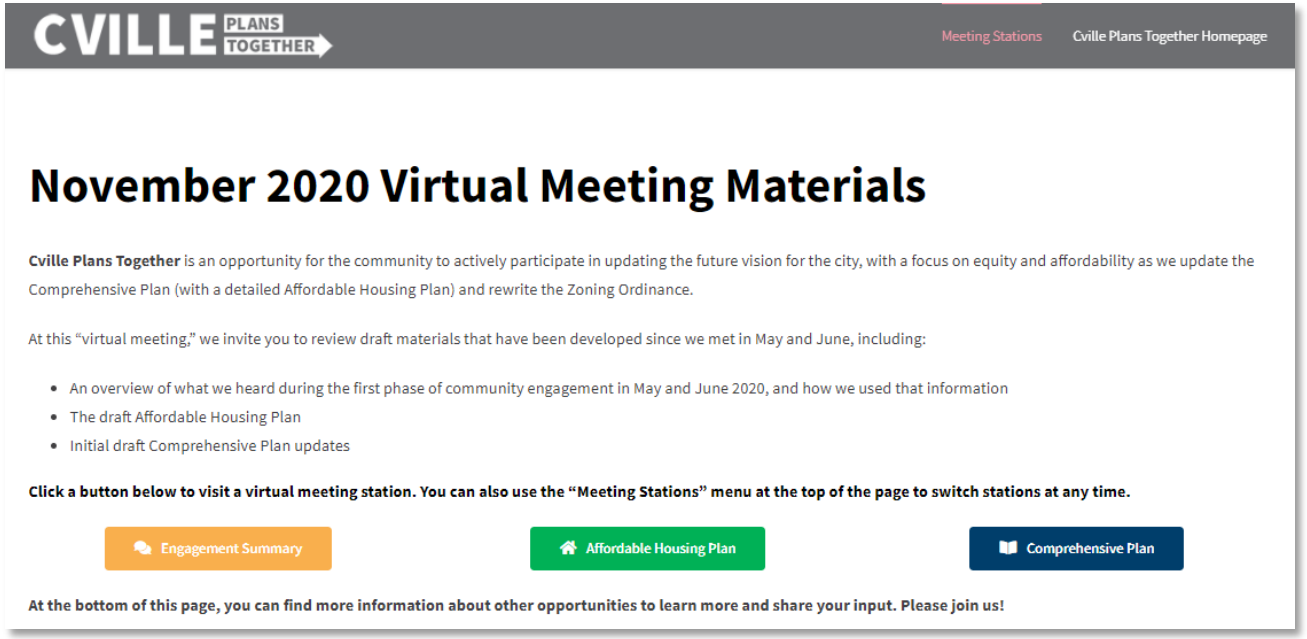
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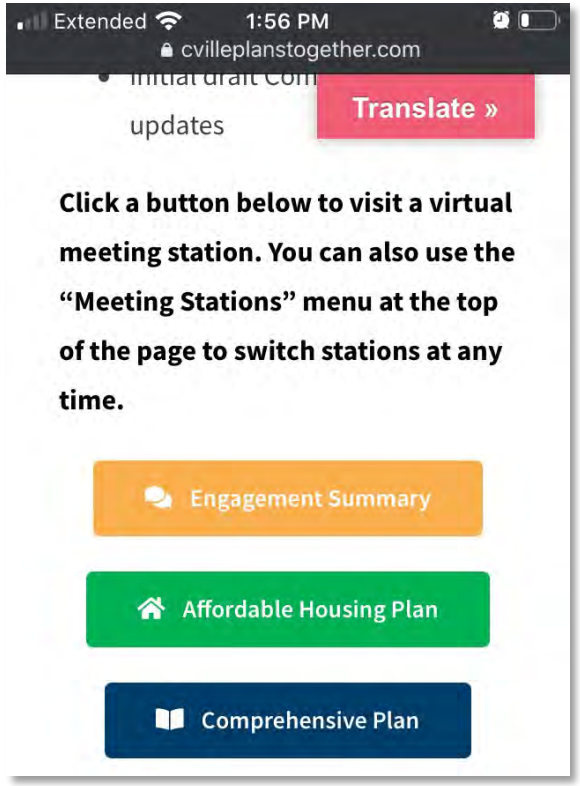
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Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Webinars

Opportunities to listen to a presentation (online or via phone) and ask questions about the materials.

Topic: Affordable Housing Plan
Nov. 11 & 17 (6:30 PM)

Topic: Comprehensive Plan Revisions
Nov. 14 (10 AM)
Nov. 18 (6:30 PM)

Virtual Drop-in "Office Hours"

Join us via Zoom or phone to ask a question or provide your input. Drop in any time; there is no formal presentation at these sessions.

Nov. 13, 11:30AM-1:00 PM
Nov. 19, 5:30-7:00 PM
~~**Nov. 23**, 5:00-6:30 PM~~
(rescheduled for 11/24)
Nov. 24, 5:30-7:00 PM

Online Survey

A chance to share your input about the draft Affordable Housing Plan and draft Comprehensive Plan revisions.

Will be available through December 2. También está disponible en español.

Five entries chosen at random to receive $25 Visa gift cards.

Toll-Free Phone Line

Call to listen to a brief project overview and share your input via a recorded message. You can also call to learn more about attending events or to request a time to take the survey by phone.

(833) 752-6428

Information available in English and Spanish / Información disponible en inglés y español

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Steering Committee Meeting

- **November 23, 2020**
- **4-5:30pm**
- Link to join will be posted at: CvillePlansTogether.com/stay-involved/

Contact Information

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Website

- Information about draft materials and all events: CvillePlansTogether.com/virtual-meeting/

Email: Engage@CvillePlansTogether.com

Social Media

- @CvillePlans (Facebook, Twitter)
- @CvillePlansTogether (Instagram)

Toll-free Phone Number: (833) 752-6428

Full Text of Guiding Principles

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Equity & Opportunity

All people should be able to thrive in Charlottesville.

- **All residents**, regardless of race, age, income, neighborhood, country of origin, religious affiliation, gender expression, sexual orientation, and other personal characteristics should **have equitable and expanded access to safe and affordable housing**, good **jobs** and **wealth building** opportunities, **parks** and **natural resources**, high-quality **education** and **training**, and other infrastructure, information, and services that support a **high quality of life**.
- The City will support development and initiatives that take into consideration the full **range of needs of Charlottesville's diverse community**.

Local & Regional Collaboration

From the neighborhood to the region, open conversations and partnerships will make the city stronger.

- The City should **actively and meaningfully seek community input** in strategizing and implementing all planning efforts and should **utilize local and regional partnerships**, including those with UVA and Albemarle County, to achieve stronger, more effective outcomes.

Environmental Stewardship & Sustainability

The Charlottesville community should demonstrate environmental and climate leadership.

- The City should continue to **reduce its environmental impact** and **improve air and water quality** as part of all efforts related to the built and natural environments.
- Charlottesville's residents, institutions, and businesses should also be empowered to **reduce their environmental footprint** and benefit from **energy efficiency efforts** and **high-quality natural resources**.

Connections & Access

The City should consider land use and transportation in complementary ways, creating better and safer mobility options for all.

- Residents and visitors should be able to travel **safely**, **efficiently**, and **affordably** throughout the city and region, with easy **access to services, employment opportunities, and amenities**.

Community Culture & Unity

Charlottesville's rich and diverse culture should be celebrated, and the entire community should create an environment in which all of the city's residents feel welcomed, valued, and respected.

- The culture and identity of the city should be **enhanced and expanded to reflect the full diversity of people and communities**.

Full Text of Vision Statements

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Topic:
Community Engagement & Collaboration

This chapter is new to the Comprehensive Plan!

Community Engagement & Collaboration

Vision Statement

- Recognizing that past engagement efforts did not always effectively seek input from the full community, the City will use new and evolving strategies to directly seek input from all community members, **particularly those who are not often heard from** and those who are **most impacted** by potential decisions.
- The City will emphasize and demonstrate the importance of community involvement by facilitating **transparent, accessible, and respectful** input opportunities, and by **effectively communicating** the ways in which **community input will be considered** in and will inform decision-making.
- The City will **widely and proactively** share information about opportunities and events, **welcoming all residents** into planning and decision-making processes while ensuring that they **understand the process** and how the outcome could potentially impact their lives.
- The City will utilize a variety of best practices in community engagement and seek out **information-sharing partnerships** with local organizations.
- City-appointed boards, commissions, and committees will be both **representative of and sensitive to Charlottesville's diversity** and range of perspectives and will provide and encourage **opportunities for informed participation** by interested community members.

Topic: Land Use, Urban Form, & Historic Preservation

Combines the Land Use chapter with the Historic Preservation & Urban Design chapter. Emphasizes the connections between those topics in Charlottesville.

Land Use, Urban Form, & Historic Preservation

Vision Statement

- Through the City's land use and urban design plans, policies, and regulations, including zoning, Charlottesville will **strive to eliminate racial and economic inequities and segregation**, increase the **supply and affordability of housing**, enhance neighborhood **livability**, improve **environmental quality**, support an **efficient transportation network**, promote **infill development**, and increase **commercial vitality**.
- Charlottesville will be a "living" community with amenities and spaces that are **welcoming**, **human-scaled**, **sustainable**, **well-utilized**, **equitable**, and **beautiful**.
- Charlottesville's **urban design and historic preservation efforts will contribute in both overlapping and distinct ways** to the character and quality of neighborhoods, and to the aesthetic value of the entire community.
- The **diversity of people and places in the city will be celebrated and supported** and the unique and diverse sense of place and history of each neighborhood will be recognized and enhanced.
- Communities will not be solely dictated by the past, and will look for ways to **broaden the range of recognized histories and narratives**.

Topic: Housing

This Comprehensive Plan Vision Statement is influenced by the draft Affordable Housing Plan vision and also includes additional aspects of housing.

Housing

Vision Statement

- The City of Charlottesville will recognize the importance of housing for all residents by implementing strategies to achieve **a housing market that is affordable, healthy, high quality, and, above all, equitable**.
- The City will identify and address injustice in the **provision of housing options for all**, regardless of personal or familial characteristics or circumstances.
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- The Charlottesville community will make **clear steps toward addressing affordability, homelessness, and displacement** of people from their neighborhoods, with an end result of **culturally and demographically diverse and thriving neighborhoods**.

Topic:
Environment, Health, & Energy

The proposed chapter title change from “Urban Environmental Sustainability” aims to clarify the breadth of topics covered in the chapter.

Environment, Health, & Energy

Vision Statement

- Charlottesville will be an **environmental leader**, with healthy air, water, and land, as well as ample and accessible open space and natural areas, and a preserved and enhanced tree canopy.
- The City will work to ensure **food security and access to healthy foods** for all residents by supporting local urban agriculture and creating a **more just food system**.
- The Charlottesville community will make **steady progress toward meeting the goal of citywide carbon neutrality by 2050**. The city's land use patterns will be well-integrated with its transportation network and will equitably balance land use, housing, and transportation goals with environmental and climate goals.
- Charlottesville's built environment will utilize **green infrastructure** and encourage **healthy and low-carbon lifestyles** by supporting walking, bicycling, and transit use, and access to outdoor public spaces and natural areas.
- The City will work to both **mitigate and prepare for the potential impacts of climate change** by increasing reliable access to and use of clean energy sources, updating its building standards, and improving environmental quality for all residents.

Topic:
Transportation

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Transportation

Vision Statement

- Charlottesville will enhance the **reliability, safety, efficiency, and equitability** of the transportation system, and continue to ensure **integration with the regional transportation network**.
- The City will efficiently manage and serve vehicular travel with existing facilities, and look to **expand transportation options** for walking, bicycling, and transit. A **continuous and connected network** of sidewalks, bicycle facilities, and trails, as well as frequent, affordable, and expanded **transit coverage**, will support increased walking, bicycling, and public transit use, **particularly in lower-wealth areas** and **areas currently lacking access**. Adoption of **new transportation technologies** will further expand travel options throughout the city.
- The transportation network will be **well-integrated with land use** to support access to jobs, services, and destinations while reducing reliance on the automobile and single occupancy vehicle travel. As this is achieved, **provision of parking will be coordinated with urban form goals**, while mitigating potential impacts to neighborhoods and respecting the needs of residents, businesses, employees, visitors, and others.

Topic:
Economic Prosperity & Opportunity

The proposed chapter title change aims to center this chapter on supporting economic development that makes the city stronger and creates opportunities for all residents.

Economic Prosperity & Opportunity

Vision Statement

- Charlottesville's economy will be **vibrant and resilient**, with a **diversified and broadened economic base**.
- The City of Charlottesville will be **supportive of businesses**, including **small and minority-owned businesses** as well as new business ventures, and will actively participate in **regional economic development initiatives**.
- The City will **connect the community with meaningful opportunities for wealth creation**. The building of career ladders of opportunity and economic mobility will be bolstered by ensuring that local economic growth is **paired with the development of employment, training, and other opportunities for residents**.

Topic:
Community Facilities & Services

The proposed addition of “services” to the chapter title aims to clarify that access to services related to or within facilities is an additional important goal for the future.

Community Facilities & Services

Vision Statement

- The City of Charlottesville will **ensure that all residents have access** to outstanding schools, recreational facilities and trails, civic facilities and public buildings, public services, and the infrastructure needed to support a full range of educational and economic opportunities.
- Effective and efficient utilities and public services will **support the health and welfare of residents and the quality of the environment** in both the city and region.
- The City will set a **national standard for emergency response and community-oriented public safety**, with clear strategies aimed at **building trust and relationships** with all neighborhoods.